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SUBJECT: INTEGRATION OF SIKKIM INTO INDIA

1. FCO'S CHALMERS LISTENED TO LONG EXPOSITION BY INDIAN EMBASSY COUNSELOR FEW DAYS AGO ON RATIONALE FOR MOVE IN LOK SABHA TO GRANT SIKKIM REPRESENTATION. CHALMERS COMMENTED THAT WHEN DELHI SENDS INSTRUCTIONS THEY REALLY DO A THOROUGH JOB OF IT.

2. CHALMERS READILY AGREED THAT INORDINATE LENGTH OF SUCH EXPOSITIONS IS OFTEN RELATED TO NERVOUSNESS OVER WEAKNESS OF CASE. IN THIS INSTANCE, MOVE AMOUNTS TO INTEGRATION OF SIKKIM INTO INDIA.

3. CHALMERS SAID HMG HAS NO WISH TO INVOLVE ITSELF IN THIS MATTER. HE ADDED ONLY HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT POST-WORLD-WAR-II PROTECTORATE STATUS OF SIKKIM WAS AN ANOMALY BROUGHT ABOUT THROUGH PERSONAL INTERVENTION OF ITS RULER WITH NERU.

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4. COMMENT: WE DID NOT REMIND CHALMERS OF HIS PREDICTION TO US A FEW MONTHS AGO (REPORTED AT THE TIME) THAT

INDIANS WERE LIKELY TO STOP SHORT OF FULL INTEGRATION.
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